

ORDINANCE NO. 14790

FILE OF CITY COUNCIL

BILL NO. 17 - 2010

INTRODUCED BY

APRIL 7, 2010

AN ORDINANCE

Amending the Consolidated Plan One Year Action Plan for the Twenty-eighth, Twenty-ninth, Thirtieth, Thirty-first, Thirty-second, Thirty-third and Thirty-fourth years of the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG), which re-programs Three Hundred Twenty Thousand Seventy-three (\$320,073) Dollars of Unexpended Funds.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALLENTOWN:

SECTION ONE: Federal Regulations require the City of Allentown to amend a Consolidated Plan One Year Action Plan whenever it decides not to carry out an activity, to add an activity, or to substantially change an activity. This legislation provides for the reprogramming of unexpended funds from the Twenty-eighth, Twenty-ninth, Thirtieth, Thirty-first, Thirty-second, Thirty-third and Thirty-fourth years of the CDBG program.

SECTION TWO: That the Mayor is authorized to reprogram the amounts in the accounts listed below.

700-01-7801-0005	Relocation	\$50,000
700-01-7901-0001	Focus Area Public Improvements	10,000
700-01-7004-0010	Voluntary Relocation	7
700-01-7101-0001	First Ward Public Improvements	10,000
700-01-7101-0005	Ninth Ward Public Improvements	20,000
700-01-7101-0015	Program Delivery	620
700-01-7201-0002	Code Enforcement	8,082
700-01-7201-0015	Program Delivery	3,593
700-01-7203-0002	United Way	2,931
700-01-7204-0004	NHS – CPP	2,019
700-01-7301-0009	Old Fairgrounds Corridor Rehabilitation	54
700-01-7301-0012	Hazard Elimination Program	2,587
700-01-7301-0015	Program Delivery	36,148
700-01-7302-0001	Allentown YMCA & YWCA	22
700-01-7302-0006	Turning Point of the Lehigh Valley	1,459
700-01-7304-0009	Old Fairgrounds Residential Facades	1,222
700-01-7304-0010	Old Fairgrounds Commercial Facades	40,000

700-01-7305-0007	Administration	10,711
700-01-7401-0015	Program Delivery	110,082
700-01-7402-0009	CACLV – CAFS	924
700-01-7403-0005	Lehigh Carbon Community College	2,044
700-01-7405-0001	Redevelopment Authority of The City of Allentown	<u>7,568</u>

TOTAL		\$320,073
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SECTION THREE: That the amount of Three Hundred Twenty Thousand Seventy-three (\$320,073) Dollars be added to the amount of funds available for the Thirty-sixth Year of the CDBG program.

SECTION FOUR: That all Ordinances inconsistent with the above provisions are repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.

	Yea	Nay
W. Michael Donovan	X	
Jeanette Eichenwald	X	
Julio A. Guridy		
Ray O'Connell	X	
Michael Schlossberg	X	
Peter G. Schweyer	X	
Michael D'Amore, President	X	
TOTAL	6	0

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was passed by City Council on May 5th and signed by the Mayor on May 10th, 2010.

Michael P. Harty

CITY CLERK

LEGISLATIVE TEMPLATE

- **What Department or bureau is Bill originating from? Where did the initiative for the bill originate?**

Consolidated Grants Program Legislation consists of three ordinances and one resolution and originates in the Department of Community and Economic Development.

The attached legislation, from the Department of Community Development serves as the template for the City of Allentown's application for federal Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) and Emergency Shelter Grants (ESG) Program funds, including rollover and anticipated program income. Each piece of legislation serves a specific purpose, which when combined, contain all the recommended regulatory steps needed to apply for these federal funds. These are the same types of legislation presented to City Council every year. However, the actual dollar amounts, list of activities and funds available are different every year.

- **Summary and Facts of the Bill**

This legislation is required to close unspent CDBG accounts and "roll the funds" over to be used for the upcoming program year (July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011).

- **Purpose – Please include the following in your explanation:**
 - **What does the Bill do – what are the specific goals/tasks the bill seek to accomplish**
 - **What are the Benefits of doing this/Down-side of doing this**
 - **How does this Bill relate to the City's Vision/Mission/Priorities**

These three bills and one resolution allow the City to apply for and then access \$4,461,933 in grant funds for the July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011 program year. All activities funded comply with the CDBG, HOME and ESG regulations as promulgated by HUD and allow the City to further its Community and Economic Development Initiatives. These bills provide the basis to complete the strategies of the first year of the City of Allentown's Consolidated Plan for the period July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2015.

- **Financial Impact – Please include the following in your explanation:**
 - **Cost (Initial and ongoing)**
 - **Benefits (initial and ongoing)**

This ordinance allows for \$ 320,073 to be re-programmed as part of the funds available for the 2010-2011 program year. Funds are rolled over for a variety of reasons, but mainly because the program/activity is complete and costs were not as great as originally anticipated, or an alternative funding source may have been identified. At times, agencies decide to refuse their allocation if they have difficulty raising the additional funds necessary to run their program/activity. This legislation has no adverse financial impact on the City and the General Fund.

- **Funding Sources – Please include the following in your explanation:**
 - **If transferring funds, please make sure bill gives specific accounts; if appropriating funds from a grant list the agency awarding the grant.**

Federal Community Development Block Grant Program funds.

- **Priority status/Deadlines, if any**

These three bills and one resolution have a high priority status. Failure to submit the application to HUD by May 15, 2010 could result in the loss of this money.

High Priority. Needed to submit application for federal funds to HUD.

- **Why should Council unanimously support this bill?**

This legislation allows additional funds to be available to complete the myriad of activities described in Ordinance #2. Furthermore, this allows old accounts, which are no longer active, to be closed.

- **Committee Action**

- **Public Comments**

- **Body/Text of the Bill**

- **Exhibits**

- **Vote**